

## Message Text

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P 071606Z JUN 78  
FM AMCONSUL MUNICH  
TO AMEMBASSY BONN PRIORITY  
INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 0434  
AMCONSUL BREMEN  
AMCONSUL DUSSELDORF  
AMCONSUL FRANKFURT  
AMCONSUL HAMBURG  
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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PINT, GW  
SUBJECT: CSU VIEW OF UNION STRATEGY IN LIGHT OF LOWER  
SAXONY LANDTAG ELECTION

1. PAGE ONE "BAYERNKURIER" ARTICLE APPEARING ON EVE OF  
JUNE 8 CDU/CSU JOINT STRATEGY COMMISSION MEETING PROCLAIMS  
THE DEATH OF THE "LOWER SAXONY MODEL" FOR ESTABLISHING  
CDU/CSU/FDP COALITION IN BONN AND CALLS ON UNION PARTIES  
COOLLY AND ANALYTICALLY TO ADOPT WHATEVER STRATEGIC  
PATH HOLDS MOST PROMISE FOR RETURNING THEM TO POWER.

2. CONGEN CONSIDERS BAYERNKURIER ARTICLE AS AUTHORITATIVE  
AS IT WAS WRITTEN BY PAPER'S EDITOR, WILFRIED SCHARNAGL,  
WHO IS ACCUSTOMED TO SERVING AS THE PROXY VOICE OF  
FRANZ JOSEF STRAUSS.

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3. COMMENT. WE REGARD IT AS QUITE SIGNIFICANT THAT THE  
BAYERNKURIER ARTICLE DOES NOT RPT NOT CONTAIN EVEN THE  
SLIGHTEST HINT THAT CSU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN TRYING TO  
LURE THE FDP INTO CHANGING COALITION PARTNERS IN BONN.  
ARTICLE'S ATTITUDE TOWARD FDP COULD BE CHARACTERIZED AS  
ONE OF ICY CONTEMPT.

4. ARTICLE WOULD ALSO SEEM TO CONSTITUTE CLEAR, ALBEIT  
INDIRECT, SIGNAL TO CDU THAT STRAUSS CONTINUES TO BELIEVE  
THAT A CSU FOURTH PARTY EFFORT COULD BE ADVANTAGEOUS  
TO CDU AND CSU. BETTS

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## Message Attributes

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